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Some people (about 1 in 4000) may have seizures or black outs triggered by light flashes, such as while watching TV or playing video games, even if they have never had a seizure before.

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Convulsions

Altered vision

Eye or muscle twitching

Involuntary movements

Loss of awareness

Disorientation

To reduce the likelihood of a seizure when playing video games:

1. Sit or stand as far from the screen as possible.
2. Play video games on the smallest available television screen.
3. Do not play if you are tired or need sleep.
4. Play in a well-lit room.
5. Take a 10 to 15 minute break every hour.

WARNING - Repetitive Motion Injuries

Playing video games can make your muscles, joints or skin hurt after a few hours. Follow these instructions to avoid problems such as Tendonitis, Carpal Tunnel Syndrome or skin irritation:

- Take a 10 to 15 minute break every hour, even if you don't think you need it.
- If your hands, wrists or arms become tired or sore while playing, stop and rest them for several hours before playing again.
- If you continue to have sore hands, wrists or arms during or after play, stop playing and see a doctor.

WARNING - Battery Leakage

Leakage of battery acid can cause personal injury as well as damage to your Game Boy. If battery leakage occurs, thoroughly wash the affected skin and clothes. Keep battery acid away from your eyes and mouth. Leaking batteries may make popping sounds.

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- Do not mix alkaline and carbon zinc batteries.
- Do not mix different brands of batteries.
- Do not use nickel cadmium batteries.
- Do not leave used batteries in the Game Boy. When the batteries are losing their charge, the power light may become dim, the game sounds may become weak, or the display screen may be blank. When this happens, promptly replace all used batteries with new batteries.
- Do not leave batteries in the Game Boy or accessory for long periods of non-use.
- Do not leave the power switch on after the batteries have lost their charge. When you finish using the Game Boy, always slide the power switch OFF.
- Do not recharge the batteries.
- Do not put the batteries in backwards. Make sure that the positive (+) and negative (-) ends are facing in the correct directions. Insert the negative end first. When removing batteries, remove the positive end first.
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CROSS TOWN HEROES™





GETTING STARTED

1. Turn OFF the power switch on your Nintendo® Game Boy® Advance. Never insert or remove a Game Pak when the power is on.
2. Insert the Game Pak of Matchbox™ Cross Town Heroes™ into the slot on the Game Boy Advance. To lock the Game Pak in place, press firmly.
3. Turn ON the POWER switch. The logo screens will appear (if you don't see them, begin again at step 1).
4. After the logos, the Main Menu will appear.
5. If no Main Menu selections are made, a Demo will appear. Press START to exit the Demo and return to the Main Menu.

YOU'RE ON THE JOB!



A fireworks factory is on fire! Animals have escaped from the zoo! Mischief has been reported downtown! Trouble is popping up all over town and something has to be done! Take the wheel of your favorite Matchbox® vehicles and head out on daring rescue missions. Only you can save the town!!



CONTROLS



BUTTON	ACTION
<i>MENU NAVIGATION</i>	
Control Pad	Highlight Menu Selections
A Button	Select Option
B Button	Return To Previous Screen/Unpause Game
<i>VEHICLE CONTROLS</i>	
Control Pad (Rookie Mode)	Move In Direction Pressed
Control Pad (Chief Mode)	Move Left/Right
A Button	Shoot Water/Light/Laughing Gas Canisters
B Button	Power Vehicle Forward
R Button	Brake/Reverse
L Button	Siren On/Off
START	Pause Game
SELECT	See Progress In Pop-Up Window

MAIN MENU



NEW GAME To begin a new game. Use the Control Pad Up/Down to highlight New Game and you will go to the Game Control Screen. Use the Control Pad Left/Right to highlight your Game Control choice (Rookie or Chief). Press the A Button and begin a new game.

CONTINUE Enter your password to continue a saved game. Use the Control Pad Left/Right to select a position, use the Control Pad Up/Down to select a letter. Press the A Button to input your code. Press the B Button to cancel and return to the Main Menu.

OPTIONS Use the Control Pad Up/Down to highlight Game Control, SFX, or Music. With Game Control highlighted, your game control choice is listed. Press the A Button to enter the Game Control Screen and change your game control choice. Now press the A Button to select a Game Control. With SFX highlighted, use the A Button or Control Pad Left/Right to turn the sound effects On or Off. With Music highlighted, use the A Button or Control Pad Left/Right to turn the music On or Off. Press the B Button to confirm your selections.

CREDITS Press the A Button to view the game credits for *Matchbox™ Cross Town Heroes™*.



GAME CONTROL SCREEN

Use the Control Pad Left/Right to highlight your vehicle control choice. Select "Rookie" for full control of the vehicle. Select "Chief" for Left/Right control only.



DEMO

At the Main Menu, a game demo plays if there is no player input after 15 seconds. Press any button, except SELECT, to end the demo and return to the Main Menu.

EMERGENCY STATUS SCREEN

The Emergency Status Screen appears at the beginning of each world and after completing each basic mission and mini-game. The numbers next to the basic mission icons indicate how many objectives remain. The number next to each mini-game shows which mini-game still needs to be completed. Press the A Button to return to the game

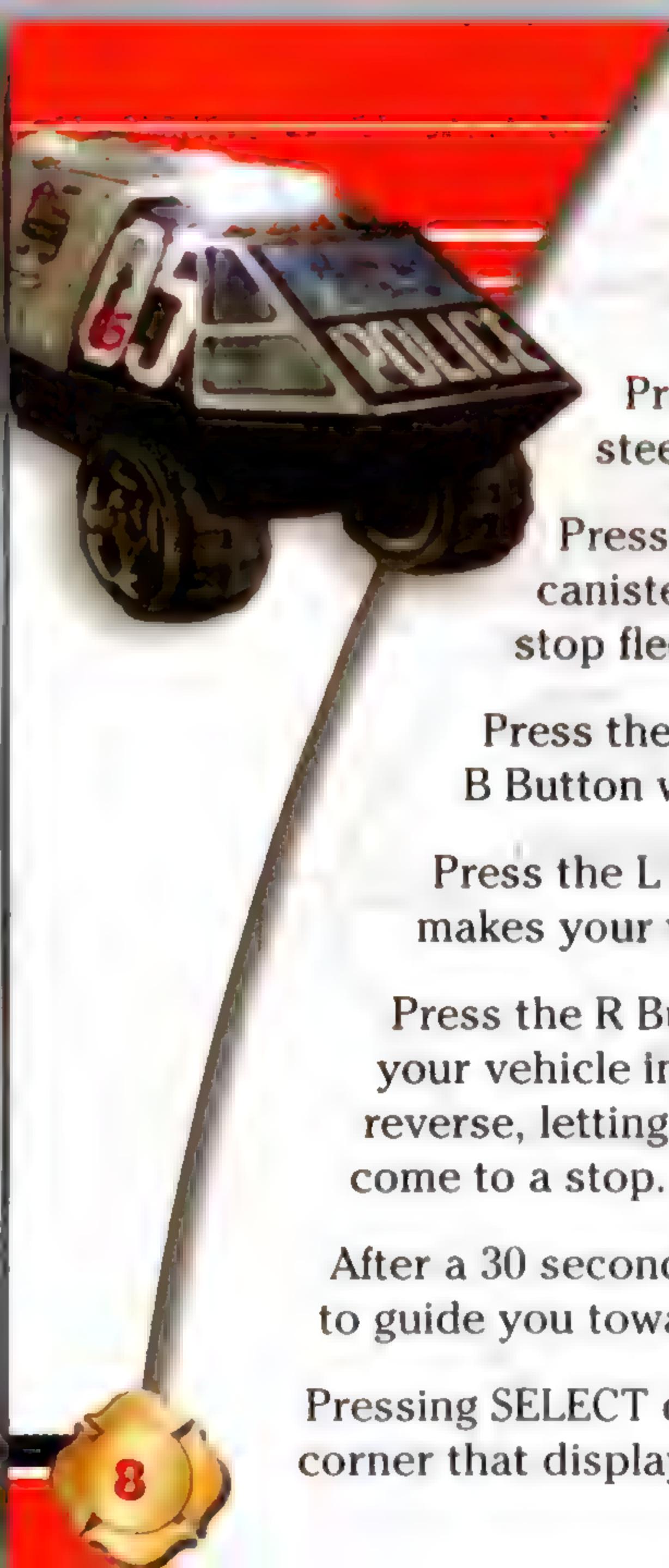


PROGRESS WINDOW



Press SELECT during gameplay to see your basic mission objective progress in the lower left corner.





CONTROLLING YOUR VEHICLES

Press the Control Pad Up/Down and Left/Right in the "Rookie" Mode to steer in any direction.

Press the Control Pad Left/Right in the "Chief" Mode to steer left or right.

Press the A Button to fire the water, light, and laughing gas canisters. Use the water, light and laughing gas canisters to stop fleeing characters.

Press the B Button to move your vehicle forward. Letting go of the B Button will cause your vehicle to slow and come to a stop.

Press the L Button to turn the siren on and off. Turning on the siren makes your vehicle go faster.

Press the R Button to put on the brakes. The R Button will also move your vehicle in reverse once the vehicle has come to a stop. While in reverse, letting go of the R Button will cause your vehicle to slow and come to a stop.

After a 30 second delay, a Red Helper Arrow appears on the game screen to guide you towards your next goal.

Pressing SELECT during the game brings up a mini-window in the lower left corner that displays your progress.

WORLDS, MISSIONS, AND MINI-GAMES

The game begins in Circusville. From the Main Menu, select New Game, choose your game control, press the A Button and start putting out fires and saving puppies.

CIRCUSVILLE

Basic Missions: 1) Search out and extinguish all fires (15).
2) Catch the missing puppies (10).

Final Mission: After completing the basic missions and beating the mini-games, you must rescue The Ringmaster.

Mini-Games: 1) Racing: Extinguish the fires before the fireworks go off. Collect the fireworks. Squirt water to clear objects in your way.
2) Arcade: Squirt water to put out the fire behind circus characters. Avoid or squirt water at the falling pies.

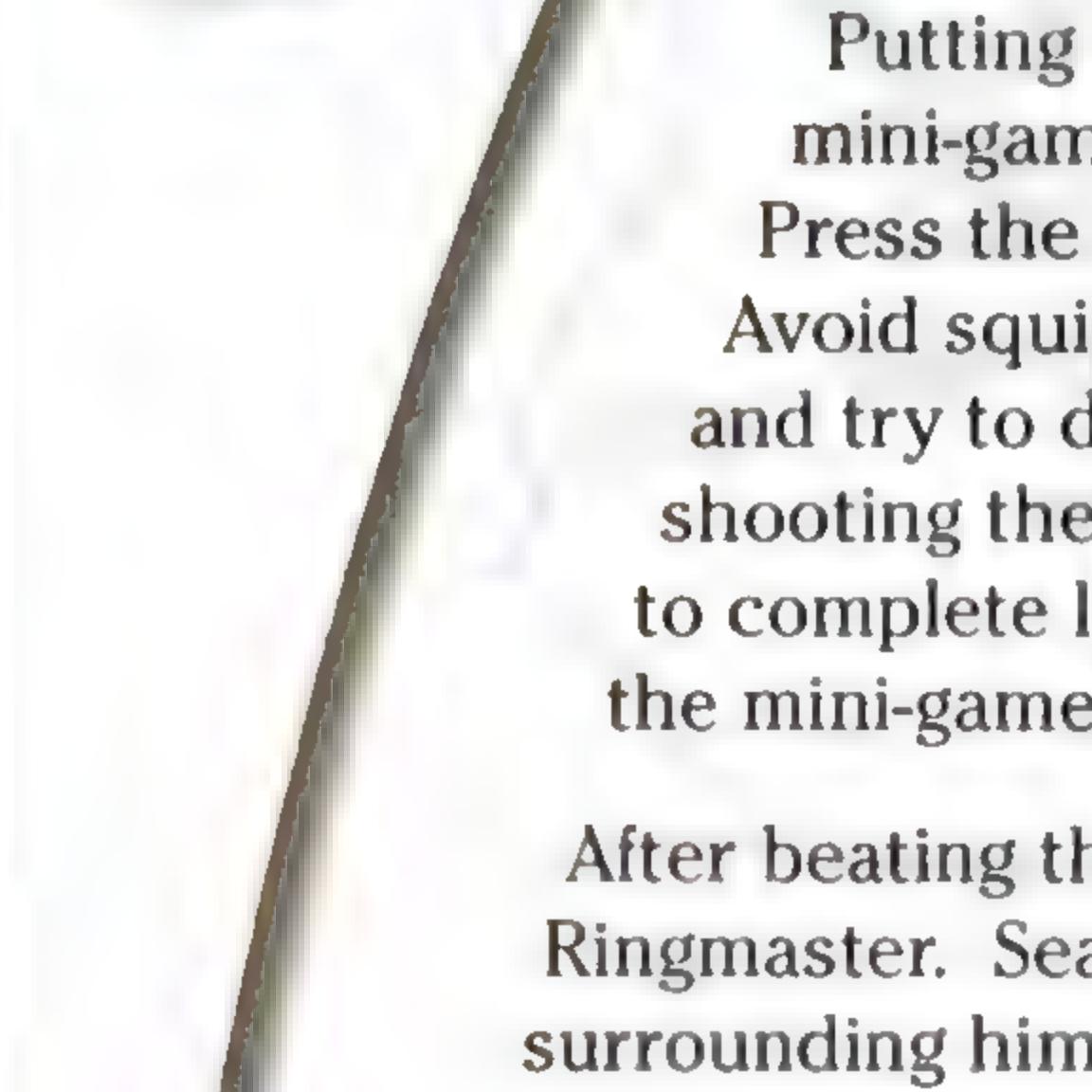


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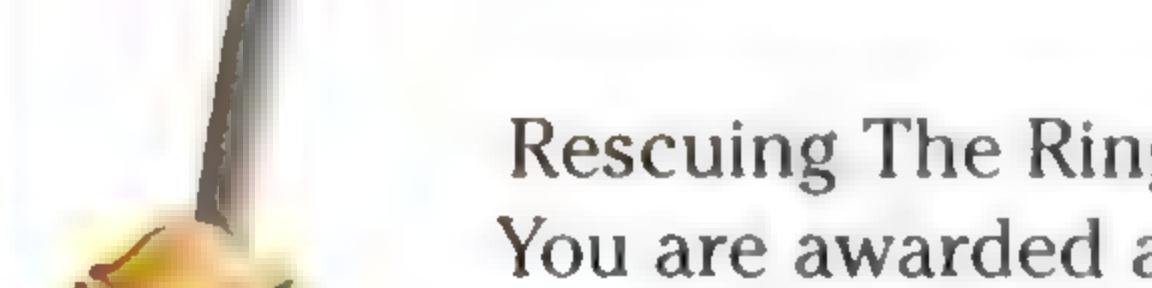
Finding all the missing puppies takes you to the fireworks mini-game. Use the Control Pad to move your vehicle.

Press the A Button to squirt water on fireworks and objects. Collect fireworks with your vehicle. Collect wrenches to repair your vehicle and the shield to give your vehicle a triple spray! Collect 5 fireworks to complete level one, 10 fireworks to complete level two and 15 fireworks to complete the mini-game.



Putting out all the fires in Circusville takes you to the fire-fighting mini-game. Use the Control Pad Left/Right to move your vehicle.

Press the A Button to shoot water at the fires behind the characters. Avoid squirting the characters who have no fire behind them and try to dodge their dropping pies. You can also try your skill at shooting the pies with water before they fall on you! Extinguish 10 fires to complete level one, 15 to complete level two and 20 fires to complete the mini-game. Collect falling wrenches to repair your vehicle.



After beating the mini-games, you face your Final Mission - Rescuing The Ringmaster. Search for The Ringmaster and put out the fires surrounding him.



Rescuing The Ringmaster brings you to the Mission Accomplished Screen. You are awarded a New Rank and New Vehicle. Press the A Button to return to Circusville, complete two Advanced Bonus Missions and rescue The Ringmaster again.

During your Advanced Bonus Missions, big arrows and mini-game pictures mark the entrance into each mini-game. Park your vehicle on the pictures for more mini-game action!

Complete the Advanced Bonus Missions and rescue The Ringmaster for the second time to view the Mission Accomplished Screen. Press the A Button to be awarded a New Rank, New Vehicle, a Password, and to advance to Zooland.

ZOOLAND



Basic Missions: 1) Catch all the escaped monkeys (10).
2) Collect the missing penguins (10).

Mini-Games:

- 1) Racing: Chase and stop the monkeys to get the zoo uniforms back.
- 2) Arcade: Save the tourist's clothes/items from the monkeys.

Final Mission: After completing the basic missions, and beating the mini-games, you must rescue The Zookeeper.



WORLDS, MISSIONS, AND MINI-GAMES



Catch all the escaped penguins to enter the monkey racing mini-game. Use the Control Pad to move your vehicle. Press the A Button to shine the light and scatter the monkeys. Use your vehicle to retrieve the zoo uniforms and collect wrenches to repair your vehicle. Obtain 5 items to complete level one, 10 items to complete level two and 15 items to complete the mini-game.

Catch all the escaped monkeys to enter the Jungle arcade mini-game. Use the Control Pad Left/Right to move your vehicle. Press the A Button to shine the light on the monkeys and make them fall out of the tree. Catch the falling tourist items and avoid the falling bananas! Grab 10 items to complete level one, 15 items to complete level two and 20 items to complete the mini-game. Collect falling wrenches to repair your vehicle.

After beating the mini-games, you face your Final Mission – Rescuing The Zookeeper. Find The Zookeeper and catch all the monkeys surrounding him.

Rescue the Zookeeper to view the Mission Accomplished Screen. You are awarded a New Rank and New Vehicle. Press the A Button to return to Zooland, then complete two Advanced Bonus Missions and rescue The Zookeeper again.

During your Advanced Bonus Missions, big arrows and mini-game pictures mark the entrance into each mini-game. Park your vehicle on the pictures for more mini-game action!

Complete the Advanced Bonus Missions and rescue the Zookeeper for the second time to view the Mission Accomplished Screen. Press the A Button to be awarded a New Rank, New Vehicle, a Password and to advance to Metropolis.



WORLDS, MISSIONS, AND MINI-GAMES



METROPOLIS

Click on the Armored Police Truck to enter Metropolis.

Basic Missions:

- 1) Catch the troublemakers (10).
- 2) Find and collect the stolen money bags (10).

Final Mission: After completing the basic missions, you must now rescue The Mayor.

Mini-Games:

- 1) Racing: Uncover and capture the troublemakers. Dodge or flash obstacles.
- 2) Arcade: Keep troublemakers from approaching the candy store and running away with the candy.

Collect all the money to go to the candy store arcade mini-game. Use the Control Pad Left/Right to move your vehicle. Press the A Button to toss laughing gas canisters and keep the troublemakers from the candy store. Stop 10



troublemakers to complete level one, 15 to complete level two and 20 to complete the mini-game.

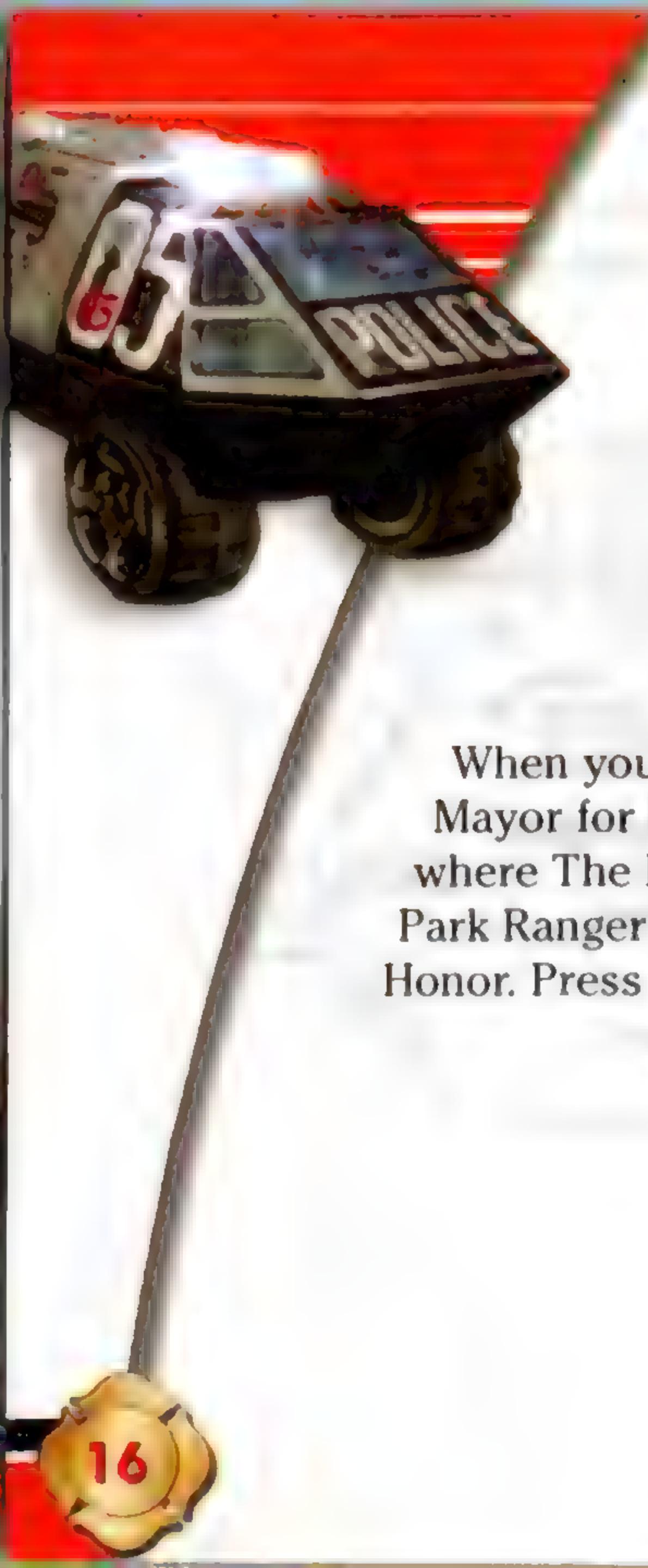
Catch all the troublemakers to view the troublemaker racing mini-game. Use the Control Pad to move your vehicle. Press the A Button to toss laughing gas canisters at boxes to uncover troublemakers and make them drop their money bags, then collect the dropped money bags with your vehicle. Collect wrenches to repair your vehicle and the shield to give your vehicle a triple spray! Collect 5 money bags to complete level one, 10 to complete level two and 15 to complete the mini-game.

After beating the mini-games, you face your Final Mission – Rescuing the Mayor. Find the Mayor and break down all the barriers around him.

Rescue the Mayor to view the Mission Accomplished Screen. You are awarded a New Rank and New Vehicle. Press the A Button to return to Metropolis, complete two Advanced Bonus Missions and Rescue the Mayor again.

During your Advanced Bonus Missions, big arrows and mini-game pictures mark the entrance into each mini-game. Park your vehicle on the pictures for more mini-game action!





CONGRATULATIONS!



When you complete the Advanced Bonus Missions and Rescue the Mayor for the second time, you are brought to an awards ceremony where The Mayor, Zookeeper, Ringmaster, Police Officer, Fireman and Park Ranger congratulate you and award you with The Badge of Honor. Press the A Button to enter Unlimited Play.

UNLIMITED PLAY



Now that you have completed all the missions and have been awarded all the vehicles, use the Control Pad Left/Right to highlight a vehicle:

Circusville

Fire Crusher

Airport Fire Pumper

Zooland

Police Car

Police SUV

Metropolis

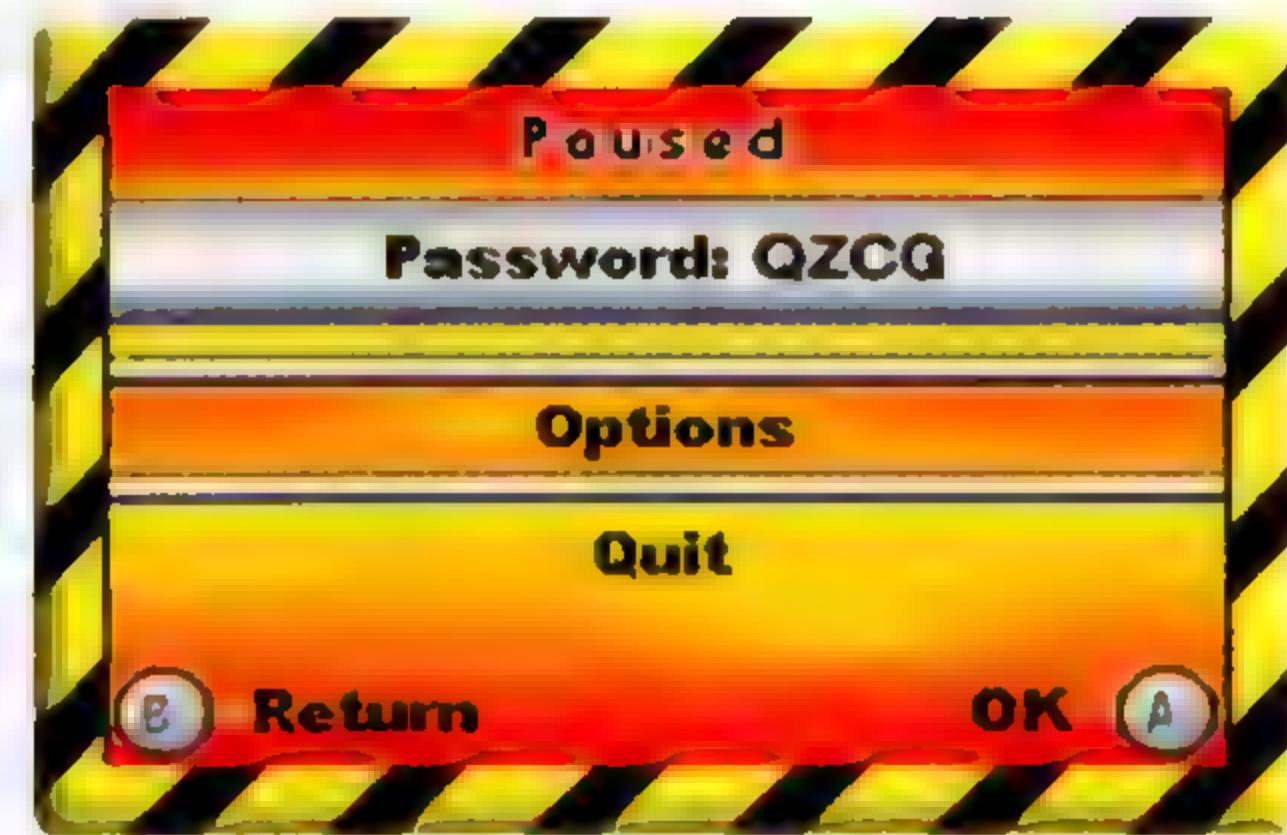
Armored Police Truck

Battering Ram

Press the A Button to choose your vehicle. You will return to the appropriate world for unlimited missions and mini-game fun!



PAUSING THE GAME



Press START at any time to pause the game, get your current password, and access the following choices.

- **Options**– View the Options Screen.
- **Quit** – Quit the game and return to the Main Menu. If you have completed the game, quitting will take you to the Vehicle Selection screen. Press the B Button to return to the game.

Note: Write down your password before you quit so you can continue your game later.

GETTING A PASSWORD

Before you can return to a previously played game, you must have a password. To gain a password, pause the game at any time during gameplay and write down the letters in order.

LOADING A SAVED GAME

To return to your saved game, access the Continue Screen from the Main Menu. Input your password and press the A Button.



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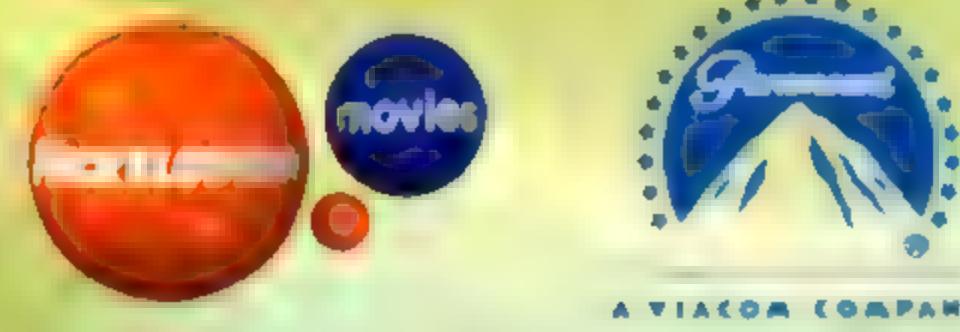


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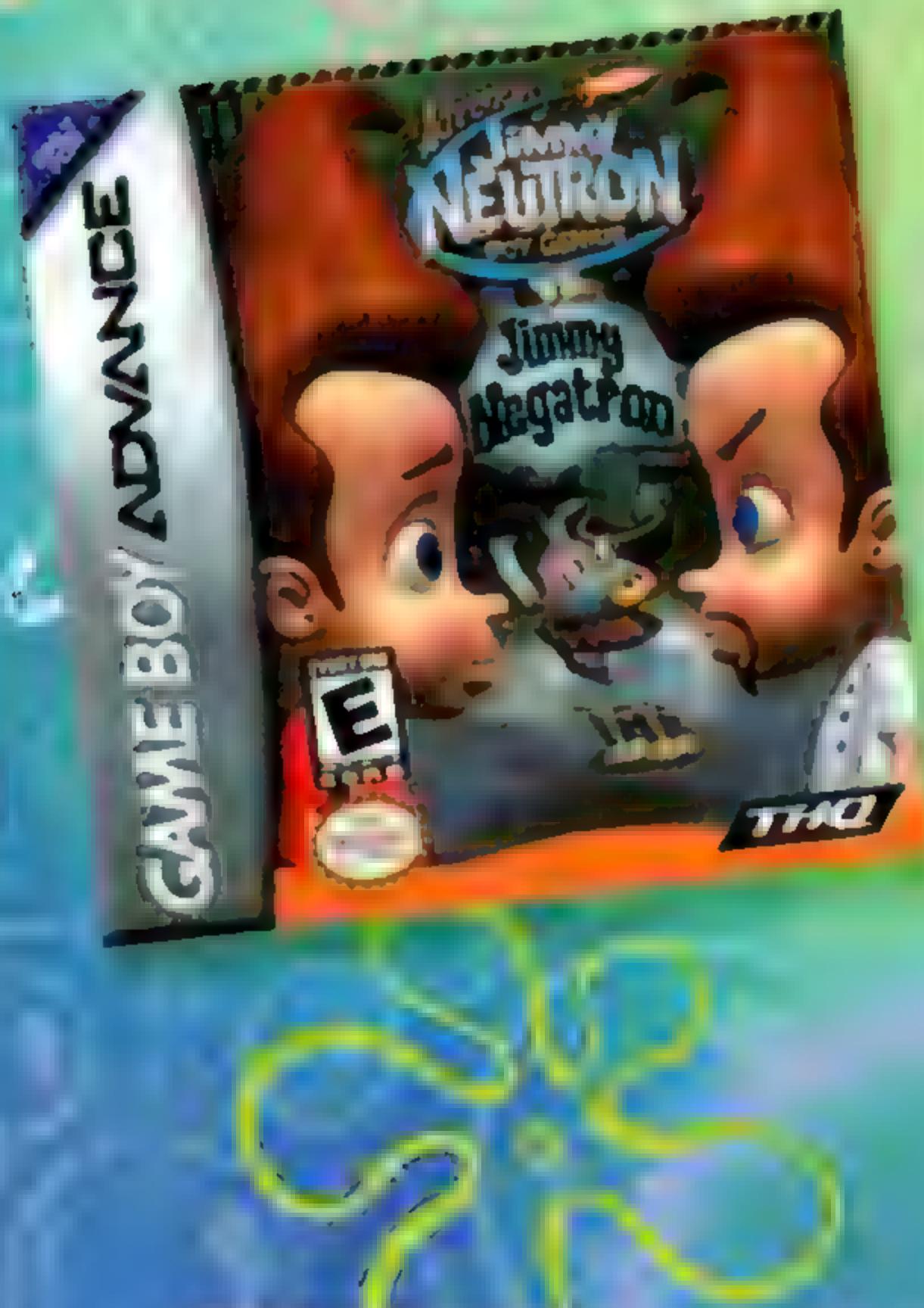
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